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Magnesium Diboride Superconducting Coils for Electric Propulsion Systems for Large Aircraft, Phase I



Completed Technology Project (2004 - 2004)

Project Introduction

For electric propulsion systems for large aircraft it is desirable to have very light weight electric motors. Cryogenic motors offer much lighter weight than conventional iron room temperature motors. Superconducting cryogenic motors can offer much more lighter weight motors than just cryogenically cooled copper motors. Magnesium diboride, a light-weight superconductor wire, cooled in the available liquid hydrogen fuel, is the ideal candidate coil material for large aircraft motors. During the Phase I we will demonstrate using this new wire in coil forms that will show feasibility of fabricating exciter, rotor and stator coils in a Phase II motor demonstration.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
☆Glenn Research	Lead	NASA	Cleveland,
Center(GRC)	Organization	Center	Ohio
Hyper Tech Research,	Supporting	Industry	Columbus,
Inc.	Organization		Ohio

Primary U.S. Work Locations



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Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Center / Facility:

Glenn Research Center (GRC)

Responsible Program:

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Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX14 Thermal Management Systems
 - ☐ TX14.1 Cryogenic Systems
 ☐ TX14.1.3 Thermal
 Conditioning for
 Sensors, Instruments, and High Efficiency
 Electric Motors

